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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

PIRTTIMAA ET AL.

Examiner

PRAMILA PARTHASARATHY

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 15 July 2008.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-37 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) 2,9 and 22-28 is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1,3,6-8,10,12-15,19-21,29,32-37 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) 4,5,11,16-18,30 and 31 is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
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- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
- 6) ☐ Other: _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1, 3-8, 10-21 and 29-37 have been considered. Examiner withdraws nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting rejection and further details the prior art with respect to rejected instant claims.

Kennedy (2004/0252683) discloses an initiation of a communication session based on a determination (comparing source information and initiating a protection process) and the information exchanged from an independent application server to the nodes (user) included in the session. In particular, the applications complying with the session initiation protocol (SIP) application server is responsible for controlling which SIP clients are included in a session (initiating a protection process) that restricts an user with application server. Kennedy discloses the broadly claimed independent claims disclosing the subject matter in Summary and in particular, Fig. 2, 3 and 7A-c (associated text).

Examiner requests the Applicant to amend the claims in a manner to distinct applicant's invention with prior art with **attention** given to the instant specification paragraphs [0065 -0069 and 0078-0082] as depicted in Fig. 2A, 2B and 3. In particular, amend the independent claims to explicitly disclose the following: protection mechanism; parameters specifying such protection mechanism; protection methods (cryptographic algorithms); and SIP-level protection (SIPSec) to overcome prior art rejection. Additionally, Examiner suggest amending the claims with already allowed subject matter that is disclosed in dependent claims 4, 5, 11, 16, 17, 18, 30, 31.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claims 1, 3, 6 – 8, 10, 12 – 15, 19 – 21, 29, and 32 – 37 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Kennedy et al. (US Publication 2004/0252683).

As per Claims 1, 13, 36 and 37 Kennedy teaches "receiving a message from a terminal device connected to a packet data network; deriving a first source information from said message; deriving a second source information; comparing said first and second source information; initiating a protection processing based on the result of said comparing; and providing secure access to said packet data network based on said protection processing (paragraph [0062 – 0067].

6. Claims 3, 6 – 8, 10, 12, 14 – 15, 19 – 21, 29 – 35, are rejected by the virtue of their dependency on rejected parent claims and further more, Kennedy teaches "protection process", "first and second source information is an Internet protocol address", "session initiation protocol message" and "proxy call/server" (paragraph [0062 – 0067]).

Allowable Subject Matter

7. Claims 4, 5, 11, 16, 17, 18, 30, 31, are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to PRAMILA PARTHASARATHY whose telephone number is (571)272-3866. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:00a.m. to 5:00p.m..

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nasser Moazzami can be reached on 571-272-4195. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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